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APPLICANT: S. Lyngstadaas et al.

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FOR: MATRIX PROTEIN COMPOSITIONS FOR GRAFTING

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

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AMENDMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated December 24, 2002. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 36-40, 56-59, and 61-64, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly amend claim 28 to read as follows:

28. A method for promoting the take of a graft in a mammal in need thereof, the method comprising:

taking the graft from one or more of the group consisting of a suitable donor, a cell culture and a suitable tissue,

administering to said graft a prophylactically effective amount of an active enamel substance, and

placing the graft, pre-treated with the active enamel substance, on a non-mineralized tissue recipient bed or lesion.